# DID OPIUM KILL HER?

#### A Dose Which Is Supposed to Have Caused an Infant's Death.

DR. WOLFF'S DEFENCE.

"That Prescription Has Rendered Me Great Service in Other Cases."

Dr. Gabriel J. Wolff was arrested and locked up in the Tenth precinct station on Friday evening on a charge of endangering the life of a child by administering a prescription containing a heavy dose of poison. The complaint was preferred by Officer to Children. The babe died yesterday morning, and Coroner Ellinger and his deputy, Dr. MacWhinassumed control of the case. When the complaint came up for investigation yesterday an astonishing story of ing," and its peculiar effects, was brought to light. The prisoner is a stout, short man, sixty-two years of age, with a full, flowing white beard. Ten years ago he figured conspicuously in the Corocharge of malpractice on a married woman, named On that occasion the jury found that death was caused by metro-peritonitis, the result of malpractice, produced by Dr. Wolff, of No. 251 East Tenth . He was held in about \$5,000 bail, and the papers were sent to the District Attorney's office. What subsequent disposition was made of the case in the courts could not be ascertained. The Doctor stated that he was "honorably acquitted," and that the charge was made for blackmailing purposes. OFFICER CHIARDI'S STORY.

The history of the present case was told to Coroner Ellinger and his deputy by the various parties conformation on the subject through Police Head-quarters, when he received a despatch at half-past eight P. M., on Friday, calling upon him to appear orthwith at the Tenth precinct station, where he was urgently required. He responded to the summons and met Captain Allaire. The latter informed him that a matron, named Henrietta Rouch, residing at No. 47 Delancey street, had reported at the station house that a baby, four weeks old, was in a dying condition at her house. Captain Allaire, Officer Beyer and Officer Chiardi repaired to Mrs. Rouch's residence, which is on the top floor of a tenement. She exhibited the babe for the inspection of the officers. The little waif was in convulsions, and could swallow nothing. The face and body were terribly emaciated, and the skin had a purplish tint. Mrs. Rouch told the following story:-About three weeks ago she saw an advertisement in a German paper for a wet nurse to take charge of a baby. She went to No. 251 East Tenth street, the place mentioned in the advertisement, and saw Dr. Wolff in his office. The Doctor informed her that the babe was a female, and that he would pay \$10 per month to have the little one taken care of Mrs. Rouch agreed to these terms, and was given Chiardi, "we know that the child was born on the 8th of November, and that its mother's name is Annie Nestella, and that she was confined at the house of Sarah Meyer (a basement at No. 387 Eighth street) and that for the last year Dr. Wolff has sent street) and that for the last year Dr. Wolff has sent to this place fifteen women to be similarly taken care of. He is the proprietor of the basement and Mrs. Meyer simply acts in the capacity of assistant. When the dangerous condition of the child became known to us we called in the services of Dr. J. J. Burean, of Nb. 70 Rivington street. He accompanied us to the drug store of C. Adolph Proben, corner of Eldridge and Delancey streets, and examined the prescription, from the effects of which it was alleged the child had suffered. There we learned the history of the prescription. It appears that when Dr. Wolff gave the child into the custody of Mrs. Rouch he instructed her to call on him in case the babe needed medical attondance. Last Saturday Mrs. Rouch's husband went to see Dr. Wolff and told him that the child was very sick. Thereupon Dr. Wolff prescribed for the little sufferer as follows:—
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of giving thirty-five drops of the optum and the other ingredients in proportion, he gave only four drops. This happened on last Saturday. A dose containing two teaspoonfuls of the inquid was administered to the babe on Saturday, and since then it has not been able to swallow any thing; Dr. Wolff saw the child on Sunday; it was then feeble and in great distress; he said 'it was going to die; the Doctor replied, 'I am sorry, but I have got nine more children not baptized, so if this one dies you can have another;' when these facts became known to me I asked Captain Allaire if he thought we could hold Dr. Wolff if I arrested him, and upon his answering in the affirmative I

promptly, seeing the snape the case has taken to-day."

Officer Beyer said:—I arrested Wolff at eleven P. M. yesterday; he was in Lang's lager beer saloon in First avenue, between Seventh and Eighth streets; he asked, 'What do you arrest me for?' he got so excited that he could hardly breathe; when we got into a car I asked him if he had a child to board at No. 47 Delancey street; he first denied that he had; he said that he had a child in Delancey street, near the river; after a while he said, 'Oh, yes, I have got one at No. 47 Delancey street;'' I then took him to the station house.

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Sarali Meyer, of No. 387 Eighth street, testified:—
I have no business; I take women to remain with me during their confinement; about fifteen women were confined at my house during the past year; only one physician attends them, and that is Dr. Gabriel Wolff; the doctor sent them to me; I have two rooms and one bedroom arranged for the accommodation of women of this class; during the past month only one patient received freatment in my place; she came to my house on the same day that she became a mother; she remained a week; the child was healthy; Dr. Wolff brought the woman to my apartments; I saw her on last Wednesday, when she called for some clothing she had left; I received \$3.50 a day for her treatment; Dr. Wolff paid me \$20 or more.

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Dr. Wolff testified in his own behalf:—I reside at No. 251 East Tenth street; I am a practising physician, having graduated in Europe (Paris and Strasbourg), and also in the Medical Eclectic Society of New York; I hold a diploma from the latter college; on November 8 I attended a woman named Anno Nestel, in her confinement, at No. 387 Eighth street; I saw the woman at my office three months before and prescribed for her; I saw her several times; she paid me for the advice and medicine; four months after I first saw her she told me she was about to become a mother; afterward I recommended her to go to Mrs. Moyer, No. 387 Eighth street; she went to Mrs. Meyer's two hours before she became a mother; I have attended two similar cases at Mrs. Meyer's during this year; I usually paid Mrs. Meyer for the board of the patient and \$10 for the attendance in each case; on the day after the birth of the baby I went to the office of the Shauts Zeitung and advertised for a wet nurse and finally got one living in Delancey street and paid her \$10 per month; the mother paid me back; at this time she owes me \$2.50; the mother told me she was not married; a week ago the husband of the woman who took charge of the child and and and adaptive one half drachm of opium crocota, two drachms acid aromatic tincture, two half ounces of other child called upon me and told me thechild was sick; he described the trouble and I made a diagnosis of diarrhees infant

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ots of the dose."

If nothing was to be given until you arrived why you prescribe?"

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"I had to give something: the child was sick and I ordered a teaspoonful given, and the rest of the mixture to be withheld until I got there."
"Well, this prescription reads very differently; it says every hour a teaspoonful is to be administered."

ing?

"Yes, sir."

"It was very white, but it began to drink; I was told it was given but one dose of the prescription, which stopped the vomiting; I never heard any more about the case, except that the baby took natural nourishment and was healthy."

The Coroner remarked that if opium had been given a week ago the child could not die of that.

Officer Chiardi suggested that it was not the opium but the aromatic sulphuric acid which had proved fatal in its effects. The latter drug contracted the muscles of the throat and prevented the child taking proper sustenance. The child had thereby died of starvation.

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Dr. Wolff objected to this view of the case. "That prescription," said he, "has rendered me good service in other cases."
"Doctor," said Coroner Ellinger, "I will require you to find \$1,000 bail; and it must be good bail, too. In the meantime, I want you to find that woman." "Of course. What do I care about the woman." replied the Doctor.

John C. Weister, of No. 281 East Tenth street, furnished bail to the required amount and the Doctor was thereupon restored to liberty.

Dr. MacWhinnie will hold an autopsy on the body of the child at the Morgue at eleven o'clock this morning.

#### WESTCHESTER RAPID TRANSIT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-

Under the rapid transit law proceedings were instituted in the Supreme Court before Mayor Cooper, and a first commission was appointed who laid out several routes not only in the annexed district but in the city south of the Harlem River. Many of the routes designated by them met with much disfavor, and resulted in the application for and appointment of a second commission in July last.

lated and mapped throughout every foot of it a number of times, and all the maps, plans and surveys which can be of any service have been in existence for a long time and at the service of the commission. Public inquiry is now being turned toward the Commissioners, and they are asked what they have done or are doing or propose to do on a they have done or are doing or propose to do on a subject of very great importance, not only to the district north of the Hariem River, but to a million of people on Manhattan Island in the city proper. It is to be hoped that these inquiries can be satisfactorily answered by the Commissioners. The present great need is that the Commissioners should locate and determine a route from the Harlem River, running four or five miles north, in the midst of the homes and people of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth wards. No legal technicalities or quibbles should delay this work. It is well understood that the men and the money are ready to construct the road and put it in operation when once the preliminaries shall be settled.

If the Commissioners have engaged in an amicable and voluntary lawsuit or legal proceeding between themselves and the former Commissioners they should withdraw from or terminate the legal warfare at once; and the pendency of any such proceeding should not be permitted to delay their labors a single day. If the new commission is acting a part subordinate to the old commission it has but a poor conception of the duty it owes the public.

The people now demand action, and further delay will be deemed good cause for the selection of yet another commission of practical men, who will permit no slight obstacles to stay their performance of a great public duty.

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INTERESTING GAMES AT MADISON SQUARE GAR-DEN-THE EVENTS AND WINNERS.

The winter meeting of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club was brought to a conclusion last evening at Madison Square Garden. The attendance was light, sport throughout was of an excellent character and many of the winners received deserved applause. A handicap run of seventy-five yards brought out twenty-three tair sprinters, and after start; George Payne, Astoria A. C., two yards; J. M. Esquiral, Putnam A. C., three yards, and G. R. Smith, "When the druggist saw the prescription," continued Officer Chiardi, "he inquired the age of the child. He was astonished when told the dose was intended for a babe four weeks old. 'Why,' said the druggist, 'that''s chough to kill a strong man.' He thereupon medified the prescription. Instead of civing thirty-strong of the contrary F. S. McHale, New York, 40 seconds, won the first heat in 8m. 1136s., actual time. Budd How was second, J. F. Dwyer third and F. J. Fanning second, J. F. Dwyer thind and F. J. Fanning fourth. J. A. Breslin, American A. C., 35 seconds, won the second heat in 8m. 22s., actual time. J. A. Fisher was second, J. P. Powers third and Frederick Jaga fourth. The final heat produced an excellent competition. Breslin was the leader most of the way, when McHale and Dwyer made play and fought it out to the end, McHale winning by a foot only in 7m. 44s., actual time. W. F. Sauer, American A. C., was scratchiman.

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The quarter of a mile handicap sent a fine field, in three heats, to their posts. The final heat proved a great race. L. A. Stuart, K.A.C., 5 yards start, went through his men as if they had been standing still, and was at the front before the first lap was finished. Keeping up his stride, he won as he pleased with lots in hand in 56½ seconds. F. A. Hopkins, K.A.C., 20 yards, was second; W. F. Banham, K.A.C., was scratchman, but did not come to the post.

Sixteen competed in the handicap run of one mile, and fortune favored J. Ruddell, Empire A.C., 10 seconds start, as he landed the winner in 4m. 52½s. actual time. E F. Foster, S.A.A.C., 15 seconds start, finished second, and had he not been careless, might have been first at the finish. The spectators warmly applauded the contestants. An accident to L. A. Sylvester, S.A.A.C., 2 yards start, in the handicap 220 yards hurdle, by tripping on the last hurdle in the final heat, caused the race to lall to Charles It. Price, New York, 8 yards start. L. A. Stuart, K.A.C., 2 yards, was second. Time, 31 seconds. Twelve ran in the half-mile handicap. A magnificent struggle resulted in J. F. Carroll, S.A.A.C., 3 yards start, being the winner. J. K. Burton, American A.C., had the race in hand, but carelessly slowed near the finish, when Carroll let out his last link and managed to win by three inches. Time, 2m. 112 is.

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the three-mile walk fell to J. A. Hesse, Empire City A. C., 75 seconds start, in 24m. 475;s. actual time. Twelve started. A race of one hour, "go-as-you-please," had thirty-two competitors. The ambitious brigade went away on a run and the pace was excellent throughout. William H. Robertson, K.A.C., made 10 miles 2½ laps, and was announced the winner. He was in fine form and after the first twenty minutes was picked out as being one of the best on the track. James Christian, S.A.A.C., with 10 miles 1 lap, was second, and E. McCaffrey, Montgomery A.C., third, with 9 miles 7 laps. L. A. Stuart won the club quarter of a mile. John Falcy, Greenport A.C., captured the one-mile bicycle race in 4m. 1½s.

# PIGEON SHOOTING.

BAYONNE, N. J., Dec. 6, 1879. A match of 50 birds was shot here to-day between M. Dixie, of Philadelphia, and William H. Thomas, of New York, the conditions being 25 yards, single

barrel, H and T traps, for a pool of \$150, the loser paying for the birds.

The match opened in a misty rain. Both the con-testants were rubber clad and braved the elements, the spectators seeking the shelter of a neighboring shed. In consequence of the severity of the weather the scores were poor, the smoke of the guns hanging low to the traps. The result was a victory for Mr. Dixie, the scores standing:—

# BOGARDUS' SHOOTING SCHOOL,

Captain A. H. Bogardus, having leased the Tivoli Theatre building, No. 20 Eighth street, is fitting it up for a shooting school for wing practice at glass balls. He will open his school on Wednesday even-ing, 10th inst., when he will shoot at 200 balls, sprung from six separate traps, and perform other difficult feats of marksmanship. The Captain will be assisted by his so

# CHALLENGE FROM GEORGE ROOKE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, 1879. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-

I will fight any man in America for \$1,000 a side (Donovan preferred) and the middleweight cham-"The druggist had to write something, and it makes no difference."

"Be you think an overdose caused the child's death?"

(Donovan preferred; and the briddleweight championship; or I will fight Donovan a glove fight for a purse of \$1,000 and an outside wager of \$500, at any time and place to be hereafter agreed upon. Respectfully, GERIGE ROOKE, Middleweight Champion of America.

"Not precisely; two grains of opium will not kill a four weeks old child."

"What! do you mean that?"

"Not when it is taken at intervals."

"Now I want you, for your own justification, to find for me the mother of this dead infant. This case has a very bad look. A girl gives you her babe to take care of. The child becomes sick. This prescription does not look as if it were given to improve the child's condition. It looks as though the slightest in administering the medicine would kill the child. The mother has been coming to see you for a long time and you must know who she is. That woman must be produced in court, and you will not be discharged until she is."

Counsel for defendant inquired it the doctor would be permitted to go to his office and attend to his business in the usual way. The necessary bonds, he said, would be forthcoming. The mother of the dead child would then call on the doctor, when she could be taken before the Coroner. "I cannot release the doctor," said the Coroner. "I cannot release the doctor, said the Coroner. "I cannot release the doctor, when she could be taken before the Coroner. "I cannot release the doctor," said t formation of a club where members should have the management of an Eastern field trial. The time for, in response to a call made by the field editor of the Turf, Field and Farm, a gathering was had of the sportsmen of this vicinity, which was large in numbers and enthusiastic to a degree in feeling. All the prominent hunting men of the vicinity were represented, and a club was formed some three weeks since whose outgrowth rendered running of a field trial here at the East not a possibility but a fact. The programme for the trial is as

follows:—
ALL-AGED STAKES.—Open to all setters and pointers.
First prize to be the Turf, Field and Farm Cup, with
\$50 added; second prize, \$50; third prize, \$25. Entrance, \$15; forfeit, \$10.

PUPPY STAKES.—Open to all pointers and setters
under or eighteen months of \$20. First prize to be
the Chicago Field Cup and \$25 in cash; second
prize, \$40; third, \$20. Entrance, \$12; forfeit, \$8.

BRACE STAKES.—First prize, \$100 cash; second
prize, \$50. Entrance, \$15; forfeit, \$10.

In the latter, five entries to fill, or prizes to be
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Entries will be received up to the evening of the 9th, at the grounds.

In answer to inquiries from the States near ou own, letters, entry blanks and circulars have been sent to Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachuseits, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia. This widespread interest no doubt has, in great measure, been attained by the publicity given the matter in the columns of the Herald. Sportsmen who hunt their dogs have looked with but little favor on bench shows. They ciaim that they are run for the purpose of making money solely, and are not for the true interests of men who breed seters and pointers for the only uses for which they are really valuable—that is for work in the field. Hence an antagonism has risen which is, however, more apparent than real. They should work in harmony together, for while bench shows will surely tend to beauty of form and of looks the field trial will add to those the qualification of pace and nose. Combine the two and the result is a perfect animal. The management of all ifaugural field trials have much difficulty to encounter pecuniarily. At the outset all is outgo with no income. Unlike the bench show there is no fund to be derived by the attendance of spectators who pay for admission, the success of a field trial depending altogether upon the voluntary subscriptions of those who love hunting dogs. Hence they feel that all sporting or shooting men should enter their dogs, even if with no intention of running them, for the good of the cause and to aid the enterprise financially. The grounds selected by the gentlemen constituting the Committee upon Grounds—Messrs, C. Du Bols, was staff and P. H. Morris—reported in favor of Robbin's Island, located in the Great Peconic Bay, at the castern end of Long Island. The island comprises nearly six hundred acres of stubble, failow and cover, and is every way situated in the best manner for the purposes intended. The club have provided already 200 quall, and turned them down on the island, where there was already two bevies. This number, even if the additional hundred which he sbeen ordered should not come to hand, own, letters, entry blanks and circulars have been sent to Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachuse

not be under judgment. Dogs afflicted with any contagious diseases or bitches in season, will not be permitted

RULK G.—Pointing harse, "stuck birda," larks, turtles,
bittern or any bird generally considered game shall not be
deemed false points. A dog making a false point and discovering it to be such without any encouragement from
his handlor shall not be penalised.

INSTRUCTIONS TO JUDGES.

Pointing.—The judges will allow only those dogs the
maximum that point all the birds possible for them to
point under existing circumstances; a dog to carn the
maximum number of points under this head must display
a first class nose and exhibit great judgment in inding and
pointing his birds, and make no flushes that a dog with
the above qualities would avoid in ordinary hunting. The
dogs are to be hunted in all respects as in ordinary day's
shooting. Inexcusable or willful flushes will detract from
a dog's score under this head, but the character of the
flush must be always taken into account in estimating the
penalty, if any. The judges must not ask the handlers of
their dogs are pointing, but must decide for themselves.
They shall the birds, and not penalize a dog for flushing abird it when be impossible to point. The penalty for
flushes to be graded by the character of the effence. The
judges shall not require the handlers to work their dogs
down wind.

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Judgos state:

Over.—The dog that maintains the fastest gait throughout the trial, except when in cover or on game, to receive the full number of points, all others to be graded by him. Bucking.—The maximum only allowed such dogs as stand or drop instantly at sight of another dog pointing. But no dog shall be expected to back unless the dog pointing at state and is motioniess. A dog shall not be said to

ordered on.

Ringing.—The maximum only allowed the dogs that Ranging.—The maximum only allowed the dogs that Ranging.—The maximum only allowed such dogs as the necessity of the case may require.

Quartering—The maximum only allowed such dogs as work at right angles with the handler, unless the nature of the ground renders such work impracticable.

Obscience and Disposition.—The maximum only allowed to a dog that works promptly to the gun without noise or severity, and is obedient, prompt, cheerful and easily handled. handled, and is obedient, prompt, cheerful and easily a depriving.—To receive the maximum under this head a desing and is promptly and cheerfully for the bird and deliver is to the handler without mouthing or mutilation. Falce Pouling.—The judges shall give a deg ample opportunity to discover whether or not he is on a true point, and the pennity shall range from 1 to 7 for his acts bredding is to the

and the penalty shall range from 1 to 7 for his acts throughout the heat. Breaking in is when a dog through imperfect breaking or from excitement leaves his position when the birds rise, whether the gan is fired or not, and starts to break shot or chane, but stops within a few feet from the point from which he started of his own second or by command. Breaking Shot is when a degrams in when a shot is fired with the intention of getting the birds, either when the gan is fired or not, to an extent to be beyond the control of the handler for the time being.

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Herac Sakos.—The rules governing the brace stakes shall be the same as those used in the all-aged stakes, with the following exceptions:—The maximum for ranging shall be ton instead of five; the maximum for quartering shall be ton instead of five, and the total one lundred and ten in stead of even hundred. The brace to earn the maximum for quartering must cross each other systematically, an work independent of each other, or one dog must quarter the graund on one side of the handler while the other dequarters the opposite side, the dogs meeting at or near the centre. Each brace will be run separately, instead o running in heats, and be judged by the scale of points a laid down and explained.

# AMERICAN COLLEGE BASEBALL.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.] SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 6, 1879

Representatives of Yale, Harvard, Brown, Dart mouth, Princeton and Amherst colleges organized here to-day "The American College Baseball Asso-

#### HARE AND HOUNDS.

EXCITING RUN OF THE HARVARD ATHLETIC ASSCCIATION.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD. ] Bostos, Dec. 6, 1879.

The Hare and Hounds' meet of the Harvard Athletic Association this afternoon in Cambridge proved a most exciting, but, owing to a misunderstanding a the end of the run, a somewhat unsatisfactory affair.
The harcs were Manning and Thatcher, both of 82, and the whipper in Captain Trimble, of the "Varsity." The hounds were about forty in number, among them Messrs. Trimble, Bacon, Simmons, Otis, Atkinson, Hooper, Sturgis, Warren, Hammond Thorndike, Morrison, Crehore and others, all well

known as athletes in the college.

The scent was laid across Harvard square to Church street, and then turned into the enclosure back of College House, from whence it issued into the rubbish of Palmer street, over an eight foot fence. went in good order until the board fence back of College House was reached. This and the doubling of the hares on Palmer street checked them con-siderably, and the hares obtained a good lead. From Paimer street the trail led up toward Pike's stable, and through numerous back yards out on to Church street again, to Brattle street and the University Press. The appearance of so many scantily dressed students and the crowds of followers, while the trail was sought after around the square, created an unusual commotion among the staid townspeople, and some of the Celts verily believed that's good old Irish for hunt was actually in progress. After some more back yards off Eliot, Brighton and South streets, the hares, doubling a second time, struck off toward Mount Auburn street, past Longfellow's and Elmwood, alongside the Charles River. They then passed over the ploughed ground near the Winchester estate, over the marsh beyond, swam the creek near the Watertown road, crossed the Abattoir bridge and passed through Brighton to Carcy Hill, in Brookline. By the time the marshes near Mount Auburn were reached the hounds had got bretty well straggled and. After floundering about in the mud and discuss of the marsh some of them managed to cross the creek either by swimming or by leaping further up; although in making this last attempt many came to grief. The hares laid their scent to the top of Carcy Hill, when it gave out, and instead of proceeding directly home they left a bag on the spot and went to a hostelry near by for more paper, intending to start a new trail from the inn. They left word, however, of their intention with some laborers, telling them to notify the hounds in case they came up. This message was not delivered, and when the foremost hounds, ten in number, came up, finding the hag which indicated to them that the scent was out, they ran directly home, Mr. Morrison, '83, and Mr. Thorndyke, '82, came in three minutes before the hares. Then came Mr. Timble Sturgis, '81; Mr. Gardener, '82; Mr. Otts, '81; Mr. Atkinson, '81, and soon after three others. The rest were stragglers.

During the run Mr. Simmons, '81, the champion runner, fell and sprained his ankle. This accident will prevent his running in Ne and through numerous back yards out on to Church

MEETING OF THE GERMANTOWN HARE AND HOUND CLUB.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.

BULES GOVERNING THEALS OF 1879.

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The meet of the Germantown Hare and Hound in heats, the heaten dogs to be refirsed (except as hereling for provided) and the winner to be drawn and ran again. The dog winning the final heat in the first series of heats shall be declared the winner of first prize and dogs as they think possess sufficient merit to entitle them to a chance of winning second or third prize and dogs as they think possess sufficient merit to entitle them to a chance of winning second or third prize and dogs as they think possess sufficient merit to entitle them to a chance of winning second or third prize and the many of the dogs as they think possess and the agent of the weather the following ladies and gentlemen of the hunt were assembled at half-past three at the tryating place—Mr. George W. Carpenter on Thets, Mr. Roger Sturgis on Woodstock, as winner of a two-mile race and of the trip the summer of the first prize. The winner of this last heat shall be declared the winner of second prize, and his last competitor shall be declared the winner of second prize, and his last competitor shall be declared the winner of second prize, and his last competitor shall be drawn to the second of a trail it be frund impossible to a flat the second of a trail it be frund impossible to a flat the second of a trail it be frund impossible to a flat the second of a trail it be frund impossible to a flat the second of a trail it be frund impossible to go the second prize, and Mr. Sam Welch brought out Wind, which the field was also graced by the presence of Mrs. Welch, on Lark, and Miss Catie Burton, riding an unnamed one. There were many apoctators present of the weather the following last saturday, was ready to tempt the fattes once more on his marce, Mr. William S. Crothers, Jr., bestrode Endurance; Dr. Bray was mounted on Cruiser, and Mr. Sam Welch brought out Wind, which is the best PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 6, 1879. came down in such torrents that a postponement was rendered unavoidable, as the slipery state of the ground rendered a cross-country ride at the breakneck speed at which the members of the club are accustomed to travel not only extremely hazardous, but positively dangerous. For the want of better sport the members amused themselves for a half hour or so in jumping the stiffest hurdles that Mr. Fisher had set up for practice. Soon tiring of this somewhat monotonous sport, the members wended their way homeward, wetter, if not wiser men.

# MAX MARETZEK MISSING.

A telegram was sent by the Associated Press seen at St. Louis concerning the disappearance of the veteran impresario Max Maretzek. It said that Mr. Maretzek, the manager and director of the English Opera Company now performing at the Grand Opera House, in that city, had been missing since Thursday morning. When last seen he was pacing the rotunds of the Lindell Hotel in a nervous manner, and remarked to a friend that he would go out and take a walk. Since that time he has not been seen nor is it known where he is. Financial embarrassment is supposed to be the cause of his disappearance.

Inquiry made last night among the personal friends of Max failed to elicit any information concerning his whereabouts, though the belief is general that he will turn up "as soon as things blow over." It is no secret that since he started on the road with the new American opera "Sleepy Hollow" he has been beset with many difficulties, artistic as well as financial. A few days ago he lost Miss Rice-Knox, his prima donna; and things have since grown from bad to worse. The idea that Max may have given way to despondency under the pressure of bad luck is scouted by his intimates, who declare that he is too familiar with "financial embarrassment" to be seriously annoyed by it. General regret is expressed that the man who made the first venture with American opera should have met with such indifferent success; but those who know the man still declare their faith in him, and smounce that he will turn up all right in a few days. Neither Mr. Marctzek's daughter nor his old friend Signor Torriani had, last night, heard of the disappearance. It is likely that if the members of the company had sny fear for his personal safety they would have telegraphed to New York. Lindell Hotel in a nervous manner, and remarked to a friend that he would go out and take a walk.

# A MISSING FARMER.

William McCullough, a well-to-do farmer living in Yolo county, Cal., came on to Orange, N. J., where his mother resides, about aix weeks ago, for where his mother resides, about six weeks ago, for the purpose of attending to a legacy left him by his father. Last Tuesday Mr. McCuilough, accompanied by two friends, visited New York, and, after making a few purchases, walked to the corner of Fourteenth street and Sixth avenue. There he parted with his friends, and at a quarter to one o'clock entered a Christopher street car, intending to take the train which leaves Hoboken at ten minutes past one o'clock for Orange. Since then he has not been seen or heard of by his irlends. Mr. McCullough had in his possession about \$3,500, \$2,000 of the amount being in the form of a certified eneck on the Broadway Bank, and payable to his order. Payment of this check has been stopped. He had also in his possession a gold watch belonging to his mother and having her name engraved on it. The missing man was thrity-six years old, tall and of dark complexion. He was dressed in dark clothes and a drab ulster overcost.

# THE FRIDAY SUPERSTITION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-In an article in the HERALD of November 25, in eference to the Friday superstition, you ask, "Car Mr. Proctor cite an example from the times prior to
Columbus?" A few days ago in reading Chaucer I
came upon this passage:—

Right as the Friday, sothly for to telle,
Now it schyneth, now it reyneth faste,
Right so gan gory Yenus overcaste
The hertus of hire folk, right as hire day
Is gerful, right so chaungeth sche array,
Selde is the Friday at the wyke blike.

The above will be found in "The Nicht's Tale."

The above will be found in "The Night's Tale," 676-81 lines. Did not Chancer write the "Canterbury Tales" about a hundred years prior to the sailing of Columbus? And is not this a distinct reference to the Friday superstition? Very respectfully.

W. T. MATHEWS. CULLEOKA, Tenn., Dec. 1, 1879.

#### AMUSEMENTS.

WALLACK'S THEATRE-"ESTELLE; OR, FALSE

AND TRUE." Ratelle, Mr. Chantroy's daughter.

Miss Ada Dys.

Princess Koronoff, an eccentric Russian lady.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Montmorenei Blair.....Miss Effic Germe Miss Percival. Miss E. Blaisde Only partial success attended the pro the above named new play at Wallack's Theatre last evening. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the audience was large, fashionable and critical, and from eight o'clock until midnight the majority of those who were present evidently enjoyed the sparkling humor and telling points with which the drams abounds, but the play itself lacked compactness and strength. It was superbly mounted and the respective scenes, especially the drawing room and garden of Mr. Chantrey's residence at Rome (by Mr. J. Johnson), the ruins of the Lette Sale (by Mr. J. Clare) and the apartment of Mr. Chantrey overlooking the illuminated city of Rome were not only in consonance with the excellent taste always displayed by Mr. Waltack, but they were received with long and well merited applause.

Mr. Clare was called to the front to acknowle lge the compliment bestowed on his really beautiful work.

"Estelie" is the production of Mr. Albert Lancaster, a well known New York journalist, and is partially founded on Victor Chambuliez's novel of "Samuel Brohl & Co." The scene is laid in Rome, Italy, at the present time, and the principal characters are all Americans with the excention of two—namely, the Princess Koronoff, an eccentric Russian lady, and the Count Ivan Petrovsky, a Pole. The Americans include Mr. Chantrey, a retired merchant; his daughter, Estelle, Mrs. Montgomery Montmorency Blair, her one-armed husband, who, although a veteran of the late war, is for a time a very much subjugated "worser half;" Arthur Morton, Estelle's cousin and lover, and Mr. Barkwood Beech, "a gentleman with expectations and an aunt," and the editor of The Footing Population, a journal devoted to the small talk of the day and to the showing up of the wesk points of his enemies. The molif of the dram consists in the fraeination exercised over Estelle by Petrovsky, who is a mero adventure, under an assumed name, seeking her hand in marriage. For a long time she is dazzled by the love that has been aroused in her nature, and spurns the nobler affection of her cousin. Through the agency of Mr. Barkwood Buck, however, who at the beginning of the play threatens to become a maured swift, the true nature of the titled lover is discovered. The eccentric Russian Princess is also instrumental in revealing the character of the Pole by means of a bracelet which he has presented to Estelle as an old family relic. It appears, however, that it is a bracelet that had been given years before by the Princess to one Stophen Bartrol, the roal name of the Polish adventurer, as an impulsive recognition of some generous act. Subsequently he turned out to what he aspears on the stene: the love she has a return of his cousin's letters and trinkets, and buys the subsequently he turned out to what he aspears on the stene: the love she has socretly cheriende for him returns and the play ands with the usual happy marriage. The comment of the silent funct "Estelle" is the production of Mr. Albert Lancas ter, a well known New York journalist, and is par tially founded on Victor Chambuliez's novel o

The opera matinées at the Academy are becoming a strong feature of Mr. Mapleson's season, the day formances of regular subscription nights. "Linda" of last Saturday week and the of yestorday were remarkable productions.

No finer interpretations of these works have been had this season than on the occasions mentioned. Yesterday's "Aids" was a manifest improvement, in the individual voices, in the choral work, in the dramatic action and in the general interpretation of the opera, on any previous rendering of the work this season.

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Mme, Ambre made a step forward yesterday, ther intentions in this part having always been correctly based, she has been working in the right direction, but she has not given evidence of vocal strength sufficient to give roundness and strength to the score. Yesterday she brought something of this requisite quality to bear upon her work, and as a result it received a general toning up. Altogether she was manifestly stronger than in any previous undertaking of the part, and while the old faults were not cradicated they were considerably lessoned.

STEINWAY HALL-THE SYMPHONY SOCIETY. The programme publicly rehearsed by the Symphony Society in Steinway Hall on Thursday last was repeated at the same place yester-day evening before a very large audience, The Bach Toccata in F, the Mozart sym-phony in C, the Goldmark "Penthesilea" (No. 3) were the orchestral features of the concert, Miss Thursby singing Jonelli's "La Cala the cavatina from "Der Freischütz" and

Miss Thursby singing Jonelli's "La Calandrina," the cavatina from "Dor Froischütz" and a Handel aris.

As the programme has been aiready considered at some length in the Henald it is only necessary to add that the concert was the thorough success of which the excellent rehearsal was the pleasant assurance. The trifting faults noticed in the rehearsal of the Mozart symphony were not noticeable at the concert, and the "Ponthesiles" overture made quite a success, and was greatly enjoyed, as it was rendered more smoothly by the players and was more ismiliar to the audience on its second performance. Dr. Damrosch and the orchestra were heartily applicated on its conclusion, and a special call was made for the able leader.

Miss Thursby was suffering from a slight cold, but sang with much sweetness and considerable execution the dainty little bird song, and in the other selections she improved on her performance at the rehearsal. Still, she can make much greater effect in other music, charmingly as she sang in yester-day's programme.

The audience, the judicious selections presented by the orchestra, their fine playing and Miss Thursby's singing made the second concert of the season by the Symphony Society of New York a most positive and a most creditable success.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES. The variety exhibition at Tony Pastor's is one of

he best in the city. The San Francisco Ministrels are still filling their protty theatre and amusing a multitude,

Signor Rosnati, the tenor, has returned to the city after a tour with the Remenyl concert troups. At the Theatre Comique Harrigan & Hart are playing "Mulligan Guards' Christmas" with unabated

"The Galley Slave" at Haverly's Theatre has made one of the hits of the season, and the houses are

Mr. J. K. Emmet, at the Park Theatre, evidently retains all of his old popularity in his new play of A grand concert is announced this evening at the

Academy of Music, in which the principal artists of the opera company will take part.

The opera of "Dinorah" will be presented at the Academy of Music to-morrow evening. Mile, Mari-

mon will make her second appearance. At Daly's new theatre the attraction is "An Arabian Night." It has been stamped with success, and large and increasing audiences are the result.

At the Broadway Opera House one may enjoy mer-

riment to the full. Such a funny piece as "The Strategists" has not been on the stage for a long "French Flats." at the Union Square Theatre.

tinues to be one of the leading dramatic successes of

the season. Full houses are the rule owing to the admirable cast in the play.

The Misses Conron sang last evening at Beecher's

church for the Brooklyn Materuity. The other ar tists were Miss Clara Morris, Miss Browne, Miss Isabella Stone and Signor del Puente.

The Cantata of Esther, the beautiful queen, will be given with tableaux at Parepa Hall to-morrov evening by the members of St. James' Methodis Episcopal Sunday school, of Harlein.

The usual Sunday evening concert will take place at Koster & Bial's musical pavilion. - A grand con cert is to be given on Tuesday, at which Messra. Arditi, Gilmore, Rialp and Bial will direct the per-

tenor of its way." The music is sparkling, and the composers, Messrs. Gilbert and Frederic Clay, have recently added to it the strength of their personal supervision. "The Princess Toto" is billed for Mon-

Mr. Sothern will appear to-morrow evening at the Grand Opera House as Lord Dundreary, supported by the company that played with him in Brooklyn. This is the first appearance of Mr. Sothern on the west side of the town, and he will undoubtedly be warmly received.

Miss Kate Claxton and Company finished last night a very successful engagement at the Academy of Music, Jersey City. To-morrow night Miss Claxton playing the "Double Marriage" during the first half and "The Two Orphans" during the last of the week. At Booth's Theatre to-night the feature will be grand concert at popular prices, in which the new prima donna, Mile. Bouvard, will appear. M. Capoul will take his benefit to-morrow night. The perform-

got," the third act of "Mignon" and the third act of ·Faust." Theatre is of the most pronounced character Notwithstanding nearly every person has witnessed the opera over and over again the curiosity to see the composers' version interpreted under their personal superintendence has served to attract very large

ance will comprise the second act of "Madame An-

Mr. D'Oyly Carte received last night at the Fifth Avenue Theatre the following cable despatch from the members of the company at his London Theatre, the Opera Comique, where "H. M. S. Pinafore" still being played:

CARTE, New York:

Five hundredth performance. — Zgratulations to Gilbert, Sullivan and yourself.

ORIGINAL COMPANY.

Mr. Carte has altogether five opers companies now playing "Pinafore"—one in London, three travelling in the provinces in England and one in New York. and he gave with these different troupes yesterday no less than than ten performances of the work, morning and evening—two in New York, two in Lon-

don and six with his three travelling companies. Mme. Chatterton-Bohrer, the distinguished from Europe, will give her first grand harp concert from Europe, will give her first grand harp concert at Chickering Hall on Saturday evening, Dec 13, on woich occasion she will be assisted by Mme. Lablache, Signor Del Puente and Signor Runcio, of Her Majesty's Opera Company, and by Mr. S. B. Whitely, the well known organist, Mr. Arnott, Mr. Gramm and Mr. Werner, of the famous Philhar-monic Club, and Mme. Paul Julien, Signori Bassaccio and Agramonte. The full programme will be

published shortly. Mme. Chatterton-Bohrer's European reputation is such that her concert must, by reason of that fact alone, attract considerable interest. She has come to us with strong indorsements, having played under the patronage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise, the Marchtoness of Devonshire, the Viscountess Palmerston, the Right Houorable W. E. and Mrs. Gladstone, and many other distinguished ladies and gentlemen or rank. But another and a strong reason for the general interest in Mme. Chatterton-Bohrer's coming concert is that the lady is one of the leading living harpists of the world, and so thorough an artist on that instrument that her playing is an exposition of its best and greatest capabilities. He fine technique, her strong musical instincts which she inherited from her father, Frederick Chatterton, the great harp player, and her good taste and judgment, as displayed lately in a semi-private reception she gave at Steiuway Hall, all tend to insure a success for the coming concert and the awakening of an interest in an instrument already too long neglected in American drawing rooms and concert halls. to us with strong indorsements, having played un-

THE ORPHANS' BENEFIT.

MAMMOTH PERFORMANCE AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC-PROGRAMME FOR AFTERNOON AND

After a week of hard work Mr. Vincent, who has charge of the Orphans' Benefit, has completed all the necessary arrangements for the mammoth per-formance at the Academy of Music during the afternoon and evening of December 11. The several genthe promotion of the benefit have not been idle, and the artists who have volunteered their services for the occasion will be greeted by crowded houses both in the afternoon and evening. Such bills as are presented for both matinée and evening have never before been attempted on any stage. The exone stage in the cause of charity, and thus is accomplished a combination which no money considragedian and the greatest American low comedian end their efforts to the good cause. Dislect and afternoon, and at 'the evening performance the artists of Haverly's Theatre will repeat for the orphans an act of the play in which they appear at orphans an act of the play in which they appear at the West Fourteenth street house. It would seem that the gentlemen having charge of the benefit have combined two years' work in one, Owing to the Cathedral fair lest winter no benefit was given to the orphans, so the present entertain-ment might well be twice as attractive as those that have been given 14 yearly rotation in the past. All the theatrical attractions now running in the city will be represented, as will be seen from the follow-ing programme:—

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THE PROGRAMME.

The afternoon performance at one o'clock opens with a scene from "Poor Jo," by Master N. D. Wood, the boy Hamlet. Then Emmet gives the second act of "Fritz in Ireland," assisted by the entire orchostra from the Fark Theatre. Miss Clara Morris follows Emmet in the third act of Miss Multon, supported by Misses Louise Muldener, Seymour and Williams: Messrs. Gus Levick, J. H. McCormsck and F. Williams. Then Harrigan and Hart tollow in the "Mulligan Guards" Christmas;" the Skidmore Guards' songs and specialties by the following members of the Comique company:—Messrs. Wild, Gray, Goas, Fox, T. Cronin, Tlerney, Foley, Shafer, West, McCullough, Fay, Mealey, Fitzsimmons, Hourke, Buckley, Benson, Welsh Edwards, Burt, Fisher, Queen, Brasley, Husel, Walton, Dickens, Barry, Misses Mack, Yeamans, Gorendo, Bird, Mordaunt. Tony Pastor's bright particular stars follow next. Niles and Evans, the Wilkinson brothers and Flora Moore are mentioned. Then the special attractions that have made "Enchantment" a success at Nible's will be presented. The "Strategists" conclude the afternoon's programme, which no one will complain is too short.

THE EVENING PERFORMANCE.

If the programme for the atternoon is aftractive what adjective will filly characterize that which has been prepared for the evening,'s enterstainment one is constrained to make use of the title of the first item on the bill, "Did You Ever?" After W. B. Cahill, Thomas Chapman, Alice Hastings, Nellie Taylor, Helena Cahill (first appearance upon any stage), have succeeded in answering the conning's enterstainment one is constrained to make use of the title of the first item on the bill, "Did You Ever?" After W. B. Cahill, Thomas Chapman, Alice Hastings, Nellie Taylor, Jelien, and Mile, Rila Montego, will sing "Kathleon Mavournends in a Ge